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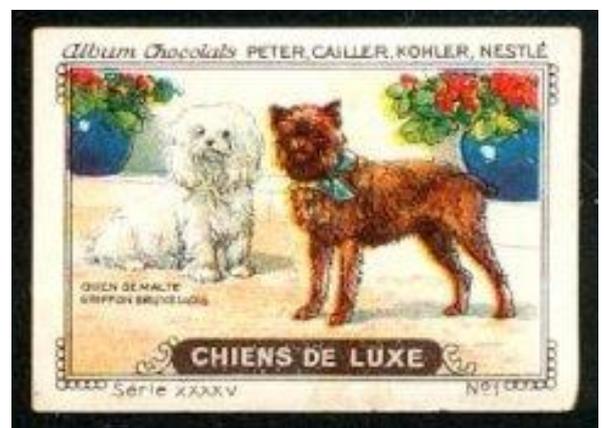
- To promote the Griffon Bruxellois and Petit Brabancon breed.
- To highlight the versatility of the breed as a loving and loyal pet, and a show and performance dog
- To promote good sportsmanship and good fellowship among members at all times
- To show respect and courtesy to all members in an atmosphere free of bullying and intimidation
- To support responsible and ethical breeding practices of Griffons
- To support and recommend testing of health issues relevant to Griffons based on genuine scientific research, both local and international.
- To provide a rescue service for Griffons
- To promote friendship and social activities among all Griffon owners
- To educate Griffon owners about grooming, training and responsible ownership
- To work in partnership with other responsible Griffon Bruxellois Clubs of Australia and internationally for the betterment of the breed



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An advertisement featuring Griffons from the beginning of the 20th



Swiss Trade card with Griffon from 1923



Presidents Report

The club has had a very busy time since the last newsletter.

Very sadly at the beginning of the year we lost one of our foundation members, Jackie Macdonald who died from a very aggressive form of cancer. Our condolences go to her husband Brian and family. Our Championship show was dedicated to Jackie's memory.

Brian also very kindly donated a show trolley to the club as a raffle prize. We shared this with the Min Pin Club and made almost \$500. We are very grateful to Brian's generosity in his time of sadness.

In February we had a breed stand at the Pet Expo at Rosehill Racecourse and thanks to the fabulous display by Ros and Dave Finch, Felicity Beggs and Janine Brown we won 1st prize in the Pageant of Breeds.

We have had several point score shows and the top five dogs are neck and neck at the moment with only two more shows to go for the year

We also had another very successful Championship show with Ms J Zijlmans from the Netherlands as our judge. The entry of 43 was consistent with last year and there were very few absentees.

In the coming months we will be supporting Dogs NSW Dogs on Show with another breed stand on 14th June and we look forward to seeing our members on this day.

Sydney Royal has also been and gone and once again the Griffons had lots of interest and positive comments from members of the public.

Our club has always been known as the friendly club and one reason for this is because we have a policy of respect, courtesy and consideration for each other. Included in this newsletter is the clubs Code of Conduct for members and the Code of Ethics for Breeders. All members are made aware of this when they join the club but as they have not been published in the newsletter for several years I think it is timely that we once again revisit them.

We have welcomed a number of new members to our club recently and I hope that they will enjoy being part of our club and enjoy their lovely little Griffon. We look forward to seeing them at some of the club activities and events.

Membership renewals are due by the end of June so we ask all members to continue their support for the club and renew.

Editors Notes



Since the last newsletter I have been overseas and watched the Griffons judging at Crufts under the expert eyes of Alison Price.

I returned 10 days before the Sydney Royal started so it was a bit of a whirlwind over the Easter period.

In this edition we have a report of the Crufts results, local show results, the latest point score news, Sydney Royal report, a report on our Championship show, photos and information about the Pet Expo and shows and events coming up in the future.

As can be seen our club has been active and promoting our wonderful little breed and members have been successful in a number of shows.

In this edition we will be celebrating Griffons with old and historical photos, postcards and illustrations of the breed. They really haven't changed much over all this time although fortunately they no longer crop ears except in the USA.



The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW

Minutes

Committee Meeting. 17th March

This meeting was scheduled to have been held at the Wollongong point score show but due to the bad weather conditions a number of Committee members were unable to attend. Instead it was conducted via the internet. The following is the report of the meeting

Secretary Report

Incoming Correspondence –

- Letter from Dogs NSW (Kerry Christofi) confirming our application for Dogs on Show 2014 and receipt for \$120.00.
- Letter from Dogs NSW (Judy Miller) Confirming change of show Date, Letter from Dogs NSW (Stephanie Lynch) confirming that our judge is available for the change of date.
- Certificate and letter from Dogs NSW thanking our club for participating in the Pet Expo.

Outgoing Correspondence

- Letter to David McMillan regarding the use of Hound ring at Hillsborough - this has been approved.
- Formal letter to Kathy Minns inviting her to be our Dogs NSW Representative - she has agreed,
- Formal letter to Penny Brookes inviting her to be our official photographer- she has agreed and is looking forward to our show so I would like to encourage members to take advantage and have photos done of your dogs

Treasurers Report - The proposed signatories have been identified and signed the appropriate paper work, Dave has opened the account.

New Members – Barry Freeman, Simone Howley, Adam Zur, Blake Sneddon, Raewyn & Rodney Squires, Approved

Show Business

- The trophies and ribbons have been ordered and paid for by Claire and Ashleigh.
- Janelle will make a list of the ribbons and send it out so that we can ask for donations for ribbons as well as the trophies, we have a few donations but hopefully we will get more.
- Show Steward - Sharon Squires has agreed to be our steward again
- Transporting the judge - Jane can you let us know what has been organised.

Catering for our Show - We will need to feed the judge and officials - Jane has this under control.

We will be providing finger food at our presentation, Jane sent a list and members have responded - Jane to send out another email with the list of food required and what people have already agreed to bring.

Decorating the ring - We will need some volunteers to help decorate the ring- Jane to send an email out.

Raffle prize

Brian MacDonald has donated a show trolley to share as a raffle prize with the Min Pin Club. Janelle has spoken to the Min Pin Club and we have agreed that the tickets will be sold for \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00, all proceeds will be divided between the two clubs. Ros to purchase the raffle tickets, we really need to start selling these as soon as possible.

Sponsorship

We have obtained sponsorship from Hills. Janelle will contact the Representative from Hills Science and arrange for the bags of food and signage to be delivered to Michelle's place closer to the show.

Penny will be have a studio set up for photos, please support Penny, she is happy to take photos of your dogs whether they win or not so please take advantage of getting professional shots done of your Griffons.

Claire has posted our Ad for our show on a number of different sites on Facebook. Claire has started to compile the catalogue so please start thinking about your entries.

We need to organise someone to print the catalogue- Claire to follow up or do any of you know someone that can help. Michelle organised printing last year and it cost her \$270.00 which she kindly donated.

Advertisements in catalogue.

Advertisements to be \$10 per page . To be sent to Claire.

No Other Business Meeting closed



Code of Conduct for Members

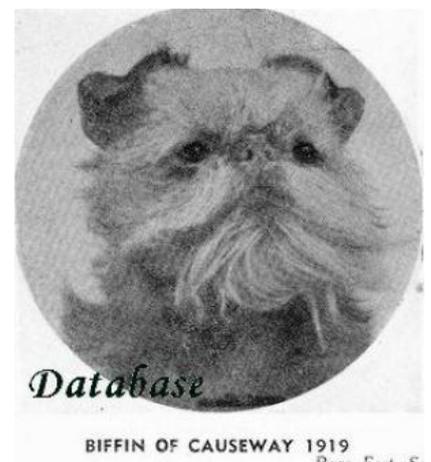
As a member of The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club Inc. I agree to the following:

- To treat all members with respect, consideration and courtesy at all times
- To refrain from making any public comments about other members or their dogs that could be interpreted as offensive, belittling insulting, inappropriate or divisive.
- To discuss and present the Griffon Bruxellois breed in an honest and positive manner to the general public.
- To ensure that all dogs that I own are kept in a safe and secure environment where they are free from physical and psychological harm at all times
- To socialise and train my dogs so that they will be responsible and obedient members of society and present Griffons in a positive light to the public.
- To provide adequate food, water, exercise and shelter for my dogs at all times.
- To provide all necessary veterinary care and treatment and to ensure that all necessary protections are up to date.
- To be completely honest with the breeder when purchasing a puppy from them and to truthfully state my intentions for the puppy.
- To only buy a puppy from a reputable and registered breeder or from a rescue organisation.
- To ensure that my dogs will never roam the streets and will be under effective control at all times.

Code of Ethics for Breeders

As a member of The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Inc. I agree to the following:

- I shall only breed with the intention of maintaining or improving the quality of the breed according to the breed standard.
- I shall only breed to maintain or improve the health, structure and soundness of the dogs, both physically and mentally.
- I shall strive to eliminate hereditary conditions and diseases within the breed.
- I shall strive to ensure that any dog I breed is 'fit for function' and the health and physical wellbeing of the dogs shall be of prime importance.
- I shall take all reasonable efforts to ensure that dogs I breed do not suffer from any disorder which impedes their breathing, sight, ability to move freely or their physical and mental wellbeing.
- I shall undertake all health testing that I consider necessary (in consultation with my veterinary surgeon) prior to breeding.
- I shall ensure that I am aware of any potential health issues within the breed prior to breeding and I will do all that I can to avoid them
- I shall have all puppies checked thoroughly by a vet prior to sale and I will ensure that they receive all necessary vaccinations.
- I will not sell a puppy under the age of 8 weeks, preferably not before 10 weeks of age.
- I shall not breed from a bitch under 12 months of age and I will not breed from a bitch more than twice in 18 months.
- I shall not permit my dog to be mated to a dog of another breed
- I will ensure that dogs that I breed, only go to a home where they will be loved, valued and kept safe and secure and to take whatever safeguards that I feel are necessary to achieve this.
- I will ensure that no dog I breed will ever be passed onto a "puppy farmer"
- I will ensure that no dog I breed will ever be passed on to a person who will indiscriminately breed from my dog for profit only, without a concern for the welfare of the dog or the future of the breed.
- I shall represent my breed honestly when discussing health issues without exaggeration.
- When buying or selling dogs I shall indicate my intentions with honesty and integrity
- I will ensure that all pups I sell will be sold with all appropriate information and paper work for the new puppy owner and I will be available for ongoing support and assistance for the puppy buyer.
- I will ensure that I will undertake to rehome any Griffon that I have bred if the buyer no longer wants the dog, regardless of the age of the dog and I will make this clear to the buyer at point of sale.
- I will do all that I possibly can to ensure that no Griffon I have bred ever ends up in a rescue or pound situation
- I will work with Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW in order to rehome any of my Griffons if it becomes necessary for me to do so.





Vale Jackie MacDonald

It was with great sadness that I heard of the death of Jackie at the beginning of the year.

She and Brian had been to see everyone at the Club point score show at the end of September and were looking forward to resuming showing again. Just a few weeks later Jackie went to the dentist with a toothache and a tumour was discovered in her jaw. It was a very aggressive form of cancer and despite treatment she succumbed just two months later.

Jackie was loved and respected by everyone who knew her. She had an understated sense of humour and she was a true lady, charming, young at heart, generous and caring. She had a purple rose tattooed on her wrist which she was very proud of. She was also a true dog person and loved her dogs dearly.

Jackie and Brian had been involved with dogs in the UK and had shown OES and Rottweilers. After arriving in Australia they continued in these breeds and then added Shiba Inus before finally downsizing to Chihuahua and Griffons. Brian's soccer coaching commitments meant that they could not show as often as they would have liked but they always took an interest and came to the shows whenever they could.

They were both foundation members of the club and served as committee members in the first few years of the club.

We were proud to dedicate our Championship show to the memory of Jackie. She was far too young to leave us and our deepest sympathies go to her husband of 54 years, Brian, and her children and grandchildren. I hope that the Griffons that Brian still has are of comfort to him.

RIP Jackie.



The Most Successful Sire of 1930
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GLENMORE, NORMANDY, SURREY**



*Stage Actress
Mrs Patrick Campbell with her Griffon in
1931*



Champion CHALINETTE
Chienne brabançonne (Châline-Belotte) L. O. S. H
17724. Trois expositions : 3 C. A. C, 3 P. H.



Chalinette 1920



Griffon Corner



The proud winners with the 1st Place Trophy

Ros and Dave brought in the miniature sulky and with the Griffons dressed as the coachman with his ladies they looked very smart.

So smart in fact that they won First Prize in the Pageant of Breeds

Pet Expo

The Pet Expo is held every two years in February and we have been there to promote our Griffons for the past 3 Expos. This year we were inside the air conditioned pavilion which made it far more pleasant for the dogs and owners.

The stand was decked out in the clubs pink and purple colours which made it bright and eye catching

On Saturday the stand was manned by Ros and Dave Finch, Felicity Beggs and Janine Brown.



On the Sunday the stand was manned by Michelle Parker Brien, Jane Wistuba, Claire Parker and Sarah Peddie McGuirk.

As usual the Griffons got lots of attention from the public who fell in love with their little Ewok faces and cheeky personalities. *(Thanks to Dave Finch for the photos)*





Face Book Page

The Griffon News group on Face Book is the unofficial group for our club. All members are invited to join it at the following link

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/298220046898430>

or just type in Griffon News.

It is a closed group –open to club members and others who have a love and interest in Griffons. We have a strict set of rules which are well controlled. The rules are listed below.



A friendly group for respectful, discussion about all issues and news relating to Griffons. Please follow these rules, so that this group can continue in a happy manner:

- 1. Please only add people if you know they will behave in a courteous and polite manner.*
- 2. Please make sure all posts are written in English so that the group can be effectively moderated*
- 3. No dogs or puppies are to be advertised for sale or at stud.*
- 4. If adding a number of photos please put them in an album*

If anybody has concerns about the behaviour of any members of this group, please contact me so they can be removed

We look forward to welcoming our members to this group.

Rescue Report

In December 2013 we were advised of an elderly Griffon called Snoopy who had been found as a stray. He was believed to be between 10 and 12 years and was at the RSPCA at Yagoona. He had hip problems and required pain relief which he responded well to.



The RSPCA requested help for him but due to his pain treatment they were very cautious about where he was placed and they did not want him to go to a home with other dogs. Our club offered to foster him and a number of our members indicated that they were willing to take him on a short term or long term basis. I had numerous phone conversations with them regarding this but the RSPCA said that they felt that he had a better chance of getting a home if he stayed with them.

One of our members, Jane Wistuba, was willing to take him to live with her permanently and she took her two Griffons into the RSPCA to meet him. He was shy with Jane's dogs and although she told the RSPCA staff that he would have a pen of his own in her lounge room so that he would have his own space the RSPCA decided that they preferred him to have a home without other dogs.

In January Adam Farrugia phoned me to advise that they had found a suitable home for Snoopy with a couple who did not have any other dogs.

I have emphasized to Adam Farrugia that our club is always happy to help with any rescue or rehoming involving Griffons and I thank the members who contacted me offering to help with Snoopy.



Photo of 3 Griffons circa early C20th



Canberra Royal.

Canberra is the first of the Royals and is held in February each year. This year saw a total of 5 Griffons entered and the Best of Breed went to the Junior bitch CH Tzani Rhoda Dendron owned by R&K Bell and handled by Emily Bell.

Full results below:

GRIFFON BRUXELLOIS

CLASS 3 (PUPPY DOG)

70 1st R&K Bell TZANI TIGGER BRAT BUNNY CLASS 10 (AUSTRALIAN BRED DOG)

71 1st D Norman/T Mills TZANI MR MAGOO

CLASS 11 (OPEN DOG)

72 1st D Norman/S Stewart CH TROUBADOUR PRICKLEPANTS

Dog Challenge 72 Pts 8 **Reserve Dog Challenge** 70

CLASS 4A (JUNIOR BITCH) 73 1st R&K Bell CH TZANI RHODA DENDRON

CLASS 5A (INTERMEDIATE BITCH) 74 1st A Sharp ALWOOD SUPREME COURT

Bitch Challenge 73 Pts 7 **Res Bitch Challenge** 74

BOB 73 Pts 10 **RUBOB 72**



The things Griffon Owners do!!

Our members often have some interesting hobbies as well as loving Griffons.

Jillian Mathieson, mother to Griffons Mavis and Henry, is a mild mannered public servant by day but after work she changes to her Roller Derby alter ego Godjilla Sold Separately.

So good is she that she has been sponsored by a



sporting ware company Sassfit.

Mavis and Henry are fairly laid back about the whole thing





Griffon TV stars



Channel 9's breakfast show on 2nd April featured a man called Ryan whose goal was to have his photo taken with as many different breeds of dog as possible. A number of dogs went in to the studio including Tim from Big Brother who brought his French Bulldog called Meatloaf and of course **Midnight, Terri Odell's little Griffon.**

Despite the host Karl being particularly stupid when it came to handling the dogs

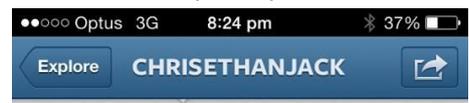


the rest of the segment went well and the dogs all behaved beautifully – which is more than could be said for Karl. After the show Midnight was able to have some fun playing with the little Frenchie pup in the car park

Terri's other Griffon, Coco, is also a TV

star. Those of you who have seen the Foxtel Sports advertisement on TV will have seen a Griffon in a football helmet joining the 'boys' as they settle down to watch the sport.

Coco is that Griffon and although not a football fan herself she acted the part to perfection, complete with her football helmet. She even took posing with footballers on their Tweets in her stride.



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At Sydney Royal as group of film makers were also on the prowl, making a short fun film to show the various different breeds. **Ros and Dave Finch and Kerrie Taylor's Griffons** were all stars in the mini film. It can be seen on the link below



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2PaCRH1k3Cw>



The Easter Raffle

Brian MacDonald very kindly donated a brand new Show trolley to be donated as a raffle prize. The raffle was to be for both our Griffon club and also the Min Pin club as this was Brian and Jackie's other breed at the time of Jackie's death.

It had poignant memories as it was purchased at the shows in Newcastle in September which was the last show that Jackie attended. Sadly just after that Jackie was diagnosed with the tumour that was to take her life and the trolley was never used.

The club greatly appreciates Brian's generous gesture, especially in a time of great sorrow for him.

Tickets were sold at a number of shows including Sydney Royal and the raffle was drawn at The 4 P's Toy Dog club by our club patron Mr Tom Couchman.

The winner was Mrs S McMahon who has smooth Fox Terriers and Janelle Tremenheere, our club secretary, represented our club at the presentation.



The photo shows Sandra McMahon accepting the Trolley from Janelle Tremenheere



Queensland Griffon Club Fun Day

In May the Queensland Griffon Club held a Fun day at the Durack show grounds in Brisbane. As can be seen from the photo they had a good turn up and a good time was had by all. A few familiar faces can be seen in the photo including our patron Jocelyn Croad, and club members, Ted Ellis and Liz Hollingshead

Victorian Griffon Bruxellois Club Stand at the Dog Lovers Show

The Victorian club had a successful stand at the of the Dog lovers Show at the Royal Exhibition Buildings in Carlton at the start of May. Held over two day the stand attracted a lot of attention and of course everyone loved the Griffons





Puppies There have been no litters in NSW from club members but in New Zealand **Jocelyn Walker's** girl Loretta (NZ Ch Tiroroa Smooth Treat) had 2 lovely smooths by Aust/NZ Ch Nouveau Discriminator at the beginning of the year

Loretta's brother Gizmo lives in Australia with Marcia Mulhearn so there is a bit of an Australian connection.

Jocelyn has

kept the boy called Teddie. The photos show the pups at 4 weeks of age and also Teddie at his first show – looking very smart indeed.



Jet setting members The first few months of the year have been a busy month for a number of our members.



I spent March overseas with a visit to Crufts, a 10 day dash around the UK with a friend who wanted to see castles and a 15 day European river cruise which was fabulous.

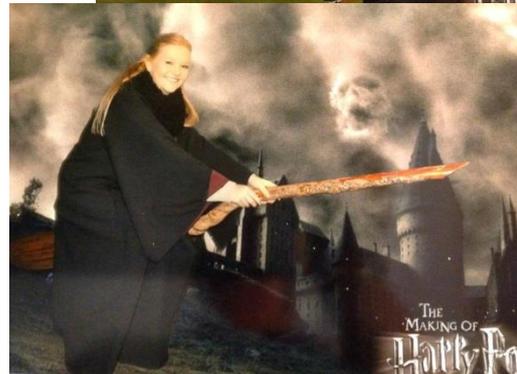
At Crufts I caught up with Queensland members **Diana Norman and Tim Mills** as well as **Kerry and Emily Bell**, pictured here in the Griffon stand at Discover Dogs at Crufts.



Kerry and Emily also visited the Harry Potter studios and discovered a new skill – flying

broomsticks!!! We just need to see the Griffons riding with them now.

It was also great to catch up with **Sandie Feaver** from New Zealand who is spending 6 months in the UK, visiting family and having fun at dogs shows and as a



tourist.

Sandie had to say farewell to her Griffons and leave them in the capable hands of her daughter Fern but I know that she misses them.

She has been able to get a Griffon fix at various dogs shows in both the UK and Europe and she has taken some lovely photos of





the different places she has visited. She also enjoys gardening and has visited some beautiful gardens.

Tulips in Holland



As I write Jillian Mathieson is in Hawaii . Mavis and Henry have put in an order

for a Griffon size grass skirt and brightly coloured shirt!!

Mother's Day Celebrations There were lots of different ways to celebrate Mother's Day for people and Griffons alike.



Terri and Grant Odell and son and daughter Kelly and Marc, spent it at the Polo, drinking Pimms and looking very relaxed.

Teasel, who is 10 this year, had a photo taken with 3 of her 4 children- Henry, Dolly and Ludwig. Her



other son, Ned, had moved to Jersey with his family so they sent his photo over so that he could also be part of the picture.

Teasel's grandson Inch High Private Eye also sat still long enough to get his photo taken as well.



Celebrity Spotting

And finally just to add a bit of long distance glamour- A photo from our club paparazzi -**Jane Wistuba**. Believe it or not- behind the glare and the crowd of photographers is Prince William and Kate during their visit to Sydney Royal





Show Results

Since the start of the year we have seen a number of members successful at shows.

The Bell's family of Griffons have been on a winning streak.

Boots, Ch Tzani Rhoda Dendron won Best in Group at Crookwell A P & H Society Inc on the 8th February, followed



this up with Runner Up in Show at CKCS Club of Canberra Toy Group Show on the 6th April and then a Junior in Show at the Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW

Not to be outdone **Ch Troubador Pricklepants** won Runner Up in Group on the 15th February at Kangaroo



Show at the Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW

The youngster of the family **Tzani Tigger Brat Bunny** won Puppy in Show at both CKCS Club of Canberra Toy Group Shows held in the ACT on the 6th April

Terri and Grant Odell's little girl **Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief** has also been continuing on from her success of 2013.

Last year she won the Rising Star Award for the top

winning young Griffon under 18 months offered by Dogz on Line and this year she is again leading the competition.

To date this year she has won 5 Best Puppy in Group awards and one Junior in Group award.



Valley A & H Association (NSW) and Intermediate in





Terri has also had great success with her Griffons in Obedience and both Brookie –**Ch Nagpuni Brooklyn Babe CCD RA** and her daughter **Coco –Nagpuni Coco Christobelle RN** gained Rally O titles

The photo shows Terri accepting the awards from Hills Kennel & Training Club for Brookie's Rally Advanced award & Coco's Rally Novice award for 2013.

Jannelle Tremenheere and Dumbledore Gr Ch Balliol Gellert Grindalwald have also been in the winning circle lately.

On the 9th February at Armidale Kennel Club Dumbledore won Best In Group

The on the 21st February he won Runner Up In Group at Cessnock. He again won Runner up in Group at Albion Park at the beginning of May and followed this up the next weekend with another Runner Up In Group at Hillsborough



Ashleigh Barber has also been having fun with both of her smooth Griffons. On 21st Feb Neville –**Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic In Paris** won Runner Up in Group at the Novocastrian Ladies Canine Association

Ashleigh's new baby **Ginny-Balliol Jinny Juniper** has also

had success in her first few shows . At Wingham on 30th March she won Baby In Group and it was a joint celebration as Neville also won Intermediate in Group at the same show.



Ginny also won Baby in Show on the 12th April at the Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW and Baby in Show again at Macksville Nambucca River Agricultural Assn Ltd on the 3rd May.



Diana Norman and Tim Mills have also been having success with their baby puppy **Tzani Vanderquack**, shown by Naomi Lawrence.

He has won several Baby Puppy in Group awards in his short career . His cheeky outgoing personality is winning hearts everywhere he goes.



Jannelle Tremenheere has also had some fun with her new baby puppy **Raweke Toffee Truffle**.

Toffee won Baby in Group in February and Minor in Group at Stroud in April. She has also won several good challenges in the the few weeks since she turned 6 months.



Another Griffon girl bred by **Jocelyn Croad** has also been in the

winning circle, **Raweke Buttons and Bows**, owned and shown by Lisa Carpenter has won 4 Minor in group awards and one Minor in Show award since the start of the year.



Ch Balliol Fezzywig Fever has also had success since

entering the Neuter class and has won two Neuter in Group awards and one Neuter in Show award out of the four shows he has competed in since the start of the year



Small Griffon in a glass 1926



Griffon Postcard circa 1920



Over Seas News

Crufts is known as the largest dog show in the world and this year was no exception with over 23,000 dogs entered. The Griffons were judged by world renown and respected Griffon breeder and judge, Alison Price, of the Marquant Kennels. It has now become a truly international show with the Pet Passports allowing dogs from all over Europe, Asia and America to come into the UK without any quarantine. The year the best of breed winner was a dog from Russia called **Shevilan Dunkin Donut**. He was bred by Alex Shevsky in Latvia and is owned and campaigned by Z Drobysheva who handled him beautifully.

In this photo you can also see some familiar faces in the background – our club members Diana Norman and Kerrie and Emily Bell, closely watching the judging.

The Bitch Challenge winner was **Menwinnion Sunbeam**, bred, owned and handled by Morwenna Marshall .

A touching moment was at the start of judging when a tribute was paid to 3 people who had been stalwarts of the breeds and who had all died within a few short months before Crufts.



Howard Ogden spoke of these three great ladies Tessa Gaines (Gaystock), Maureen Higgins (Jaydean) and Marjory Day (Polcot).

A minutes silence was observed.

Alison wrote a detailed introduction with her critiques which caused quite a bit of discussion. Her comments are included below and give much food for thought to breeders and

exhibitors

CRUFTS REPORT 2014 for GRIFFON BRUXELLOIS

JUDGE: ALISON PRICE

I would like to thank the Kennel Club for inviting me to judge and to all exhibitors, some of whom travelled thousands of miles to be there

Some years ago I expressed my concern that the breed was beginning to change from the nonexaggerated, proportionately large headed little dog, with a delightful open chrysanthemum face. A wide, sturdy, deep, square and short bodied, well boned little "cob" having a dead level top line, and tail set emerging at right angles, carried gaily over the back, moving out strongly covering ground in harmony with their beloved owner. However, I found strong heads with over exaggerated skull specifically at the central facial position the "bombe" /convex area of the fore skull, ultra short, very high placed noses with too deep a stop. Alternatively



there were low placed downward sloping noses, both giving the wrong expression- the Griffon should have a well laid back nose and a deep stop but this should be in moderation. Regarding the stop and nose length, one should be able to get your thumb into this area and the standard is eloquent in this respect. All the composite elements makes for an appearance of "fill" under the eyes, however, too many fell away badly here.

The majority of Griffons I observed, and not just during my judging of the breed at Crufts, were fine boned, lacking in depth and width, flat substanceless bone, leggy, with small heads and pinched features to match. Top line, tail set and carriage have appeared for some time to have been ignored. Tails were carried either tight/flat to the back or even curled around in Pug fashion; it seems to me that the standard has been virtually ignored since the docking ban, and the above tails have become the norm for the breed thus leading to an incorrect profile picture.

The FCI standard is more comprehensive in this respect than our standard and I feel their explanation could be the way we go forward to improve.



Alison Price with her BOB

The Czech Griffon Specialty show held in Brno near Prague at the start of May saw an entry of over 120 Griffons for UK judge Mrs Barbara Murray, Operastar Griffons.

Under FCI (European regulations) Griffons are judged as 3 separate breeds – red rough (Griffon Bruxellois), Smooths (Petit Brabacons) Roughs in other recognised colours (Griffon Belges)

BIS went to a red rough- Deep In My Heart Mont Arwen, owned by Petra Ulrychova.

In Europe judges have to critique all dogs and one of our club members, Sandie Feaver, was seconded as second secretary for the judge, which gave her a unique perspective on the show. (Thanks to Sandie Feaver for the BIS photo)



Westminster show also took place in February in Madison Square Garden in New York. Although one of the USA's most prestigious shows it is not a large show as all dogs have to qualify in order to enter.

There were only 14 Griffons entered for judge Richard Beauchamp, which I believe is a good entry, and the winner was Ch Cashin's Sizzling Bacon Bit, a red rough bitch owned and bred by Felicia Cashin & Carole Ross.

Full results including a video of judging can be seen on this link

<http://www.westminsterkennelclub.org/breedresults.php?year=2014&breed=brusgrif>



The Griffon Bruxellois Club UK Championship Show took place in March just a few weeks after Crufts with judge Mrs Morwenna Marshall (Menwinnion Griffons). The entry was around 80 Griffons for judging in all three colours and both coats. Interestingly both the top awards went to blacks.



Adrienne Rowsell.

The Best In Show and Bitch Challenge went to a black rough bitch owned by Mrs Phil Woolford **Aptrick Jubilee Star at Krandon**.

Best in Show

The Best Dog and Reserve in Show was Miss Meaden's **Topmead Jack the Lad** another black rough.

Reserve in Show

Best Puppy in show was a New Zealand bred bitch **Yappenbach Napier Queen** owned by Tony and Stephanie Fiske and bred by



Progress Made in SM/CM Research



There has been some exciting progress made in the research towards attempts to eliminate SM/CM.

A candidate gene has been identified in Griffon Bruxellois which can, in the long term help breeders avoid this condition. Full details on this research can be seen on the link below

<http://clarerusbridge-news.blogspot.nl/2014/04/candidate-gene-for-chiari-malformation.html>

It is very early days at the moment and there are a number of genes responsible for this condition so it will be sometime before a definitive DNA test will be developed but it is a start in the right direction.

Griffon breeders all over the world have been contributing to this research by monetary donations and also by DNA samples, skull X Rays and MRI results which have enabled the researchers to build upon their knowledge.

The research is carried out in several countries and the researchers share results and cooperate together.

In the meantime until a DNA test has been devised all breeders can do is ensure that they have a full understanding of the condition and MRI dogs according to the guidelines and in consultation with their vets



Griffon head from late 1880's



2014 Championship Show

The 2nd Championship show saw an entry of 43 for our judge Ms J Ziljmans from The Netherlands.

The weather was perfect and there were very few absentees.

Our trophy table, thanks to the support of our members was outstanding with trophies

purchased by Claire Parker and Ashleigh Barber. We were also able to obtain sponsorship from Hills Ideal Balance which was much appreciated and all winners received a bag of the new release biscuits that are gluten free.

Also sponsoring our show was the publishers of Dog Breeds of Australia and this book of lovely photos was also to the winners.

Best In Show Trophies

Professional photographer Penny Brooks also gave up her time to support our show and all the lovely photos have been taken by her.

All photos from our show can be seen on Penny's page at <https://www.facebook.com/Penny.Brooks.Photography> .



The results were:

BIS and Best Open- Sup Ch Statuesque Pumpernickle

Runner Up In Show and Opp. Open Ch Statuesque Betsy Buttonhole





Reserve Dog Challenge and Aust Bred In Show Gr Ch Balliol Gellert Grindalwald



Reserve Bitch and Best Intermediate Witchgriff Red Poppy



*Baby in Show
Balliol Jinny
Juniper*

*Minor Puppy In
Show Balliol
Impish Incantation*



*Puppy in Show
Tzani Tigger Brat
Bunny*



*Junior in Show Campionecani Alfonzo
Opposite Junior in Show Ch Tzani Rhoda Dendron*





Intermediate in Show (as for RBCC)
Opposite Intermediate in Show
Ch Cricklewood Night of
Magic in Paris

Aust Bred in Show (as for RDCC)

Opposite Aust Bred In Show
Rosndae Naughty but Nice

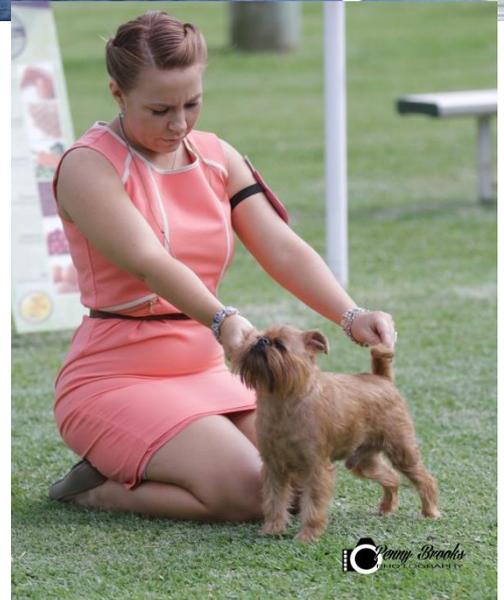
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BIS

Veteran in Show Ch Balliol
Barnacle Bill



Opp Veteran in Show
Ch Raweke Teasel
Toadfax

Neuter in Show Ch Balliol
Fezzywig Fever



Opp Neuter in Show Ch
Rosndae Desert Rose



After the show we all gathered for the presentation with some champagne to toast the winners and some light snacks. Jane Wistuba did a fabulous job with the catering and the food was beautifully displayed.

The judge Ms Zijlman spoke briefly after the show and in her comments she mentioned that we have a more consistent size that she is used to seeing in Europe. She also said that our Griffons seemed to be healthier than those she has seen on Europe and she did not see any dogs with breathing problems that she frequently sees over there. This is good news for breeders and shows that our careful breeding programs are obviously producing sound healthy Griffons.



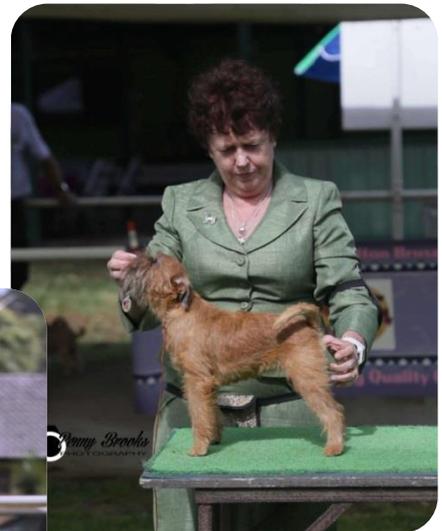
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Sydney Royal 2014

The Royal shows are among the most prestigious in the country and Sydney and Melbourne Royals traditionally compete for the largest entry.

This year Griffons were judged by an extremely well respect dog judge, Mr Frank Kane from the UK. Mr Kane is an internationally recognised all breeds and has judged Best in Show at Crufts, among his other appointments.

There were 28 Griffons entered this year and it was the year for the smooth.

Best of Breed and Dog Challenge went to the young smooth red Griffon Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris owned by Michelle Parker Brien and Ashleigh Barber and beautifully handled as usual by Ashleigh.

Neville as he is known was bred in New Zealand by Sandie Feaver and David Fifield and came to Australia as a 14 week old puppy and he hasn't looked back. There was a loud roar of applause around the ring when he won Best of Breed from his many fans.

His success continued on General Specials day when he was shortlisted in the final 8 dogs from a Toy entry of over 600 – a fabulous achievement for a young smooth



Neville in the final Group line up, eyeing off the trophies and totally unfazed by the huge crowds watching



Puppy on the day went to **Tzani Tigger Brat Bunny** a red rough owned by Bob and Kerry Bell and bred by Diana Norman and Tim Mills. He was handled expertly as usual by Emily Bell.

Full results follow:



Sydney Royal Griffon Bruxellois Results

CLASS: 3 - Puppy Dog

- 1 TZANI TIGGER BRAT BUNNY (4100226893)
- 2 CAMPIONECANI ALFONZO (3100288247)

CLASS: 3A - Puppy Bitch

- 1 KEHAEL JOIE DE VIVRE

CLASS: 4A - Junior Bitch

- 1 CAMPIONECANI MAGNIFICA
- 2 CH. TZANI RHODA DENDRON
- 3 CH. NAGPUNI MIDNIGHT MISCHIEF (2100379885)

CLASS: 5 - Intermediate Dog

- 1 CRICKLEWOOD NIGHT OF MAGIC IN PARIS (IMP NZL)
- 2 CH. TROUBADOUR PRICKLEPANTS

CLASS: 5A - Intermediate Bitch

- 1 WITCHGRIFF RED POPPY
- 2 CH. NOUVEAU DEMONSTRANCE (IMP NZL)
- 3 CH. PARIS STARRY STARRY NIGHT (IMP NZL)

CLASS: 10 - Australian Bred Dog

- 1 CH. WITCHGRIFF REDMOND
- 2 CH. TZANI MR MAGOO (4100210362)

CLASS: 10A - Australian Bred Bitch

- 1 ROSNDAE NAUGHTY BUT NICE (2100342691)

CLASS: 11 - Open Dog

- 1 CH. STATUESQUE WILLIAM WOMBAT
- 2 SUP.CH. STATUESQUE PUMPER NICKEL
- 3 CH. BALLIOL GELLERT GRINDLEWALD

CLASS: 11A - Open Bitch

- 1 CH. STATUESQUE BETSY BUTTONHOLE
- 2 CH. BALLIOL DOLLY DIMPLE
- 3 KEHAEL BLACK PEARL(

Dog Challenge CRICKLEWOOD NIGHT OF MAGIC IN PARIS (IMP NZL)

Reserve Dog Challenge CH. STATUESQUE WILLIAM WOMBAT

Bitch Challenge WITCHGRIFF RED POPPY

Reserve Bitch Challenge CH. STATUESQUE BETSY BUTTONHOLE

Best of Breed - Winner CRICKLEWOOD NIGHT OF MAGIC IN PARIS (IMP NZL)

Runner Up Best of Breed WITCHGRIFF RED POPPY

Best Puppy of Breed – Winner TZANI TIGGER BRAT BUNNY

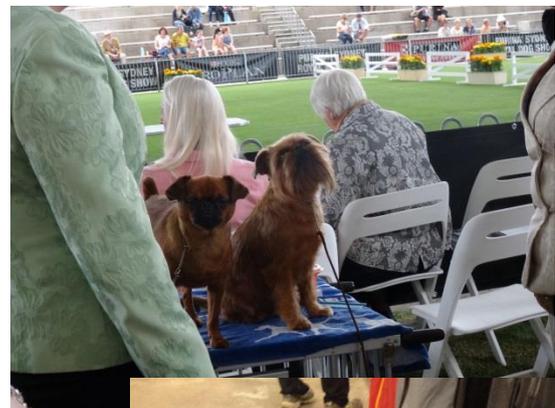
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Claire and Kingsleigh



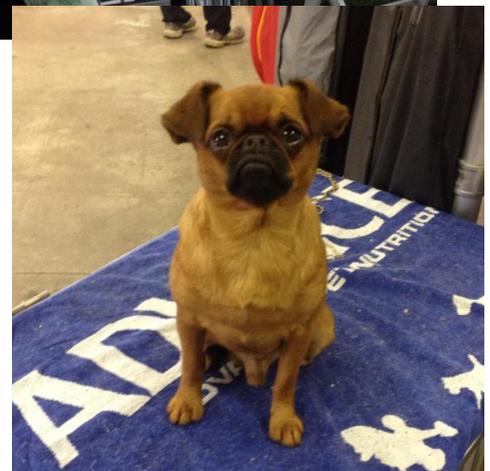
Open Dog Class in the ring



Waiting to go into the ring



Winners are grinners. Ashleigh and Neville





2013 – 2014 Point Score Competition

Since the last newsletter we have had two more point score shows, Wollongong & DKC on March 2nd and Albion Park KC on May 3rd

The Wollongong Show was held during a period of torrential rain and a number of members were not able to make it to the show due to both the poor weather and flooding in some parts of the state. A few stalwarts did manage to get there and survived the show despite the rain.



Ch Paris Starry Starry Night



Best of Breed & Bitch CC was **Ch Paris Starry Starry Night** - J Wistuba

Runner Up Best of Breed and Dog Challenge was **Ch Raweke Apple Cider** – J Wistuba

Ch Raweke Apple Cider

Reserve Bitch Challenge was **Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief** – T ODeil

Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief



The next show at Albion Park on May 3rd also had threatening weather but despite the threat of rain it managed to stay dry until the show was completed. However a sudden cold snap arrived in the mid-morning and it got colder and colder as the day progressed.

The judge was Mr W Ranie from the ACT and he seemed to like his Griffon entry as 3 of the Griffons won a class in Group.



Best of Breed and Dog Challenge was awarded to **Ch Balliol Gellert Grindalwald** (J.Tremenheere). Dumbledore went on to win Runner Up In Group as well

Runner Up Best of Breed and Bitch Challenge was again

Ch Paris Starry Starry Night J Wistuba





Reserve Dog Challenge and also Australian Bred in Group was **Ch Raweke Apple Cider – J Wistuba**



Reserve Bitch was again **Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief** T Odell making the bitch placings a repeat of the previous point score show.



BOB Neuter and also Neuter In Group was **Ch Balliol Fezzywig Fever** (M Parker Brien)



Neuter Bitch challenge was **Ch Raweke Patti Mae** CCD (M Parker Brien)



The point score competition has 2 more shows to go and the top placings are still very close. In the Puppy Point score Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief is a clear leader

Open Point Score Competition Top 10 Dogs

1.	Ch Raweke Apple Cider	53pts
2.	Ch Balliol Gellert Grindalwald	48pts
3.	Ch Raweke Patti Mae CCD	39pts
4.	Ch Paris Starry Starry Night	39pts
5.	Nagpuni Midnight Mischief	36pts
6.	Ch Balliol Fezzywig Fever	28 pts
7.	Ch Cricklewood Night of Magic in Paris	23pts
8.	Ch Raweke Bunty Bear	23pt
9.	Keheal Luna Lovegood	21pts
10.	Ch Troubadour Pricklepants	17pts

Puppy Point Score

1.	Nagpuni Midnight Mischief	36pts
2.	Keheal Luna Lovegood	21pts
3.	Balliol Impish Incantation	9pts
3	Tzani Tigger Brat Bunny	6pts
4.	Ch Tzani Rhoda Dendron	5pts

The next 2 Point Score shows will Brisbane Water Legacy KC Sunday 15th June followed by Warners Bay Sports Dog Club 28th June - Saturday AM

Both shows in the April journal





New Champions

Congratulations to the following new Champions.

Grand Champion Balliol Gellert Grindalwald

S: Aust Ch/NZ Ch Paris Night Fever

D: Ch Raweke Bindi with a Bow

Owned by Jannelle Tremenheere and Michelle Parker Brien

Dumbledore lives with and is prepared and handled by Jannelle. He is her first ever Griffon and she had to learn how to strip him out and present him in top show condition – not an easy task but she always has him looking handsome.

He is only 3 years old now but on his way to his Grand he has won;

- Runner Up In Show at the largest Griffon show held in Australia –Qld 2012,
- Dog Challenge Sydney Royal 2013
- Reserve DCC at 3 Griffon Specialty shows,
- Winner Dogz on Line BOB competition 2012,
- Winner Country Griffon Bruxellois Club Point score 2012 and 2013
- Multiple Best in Group and Runner Up in Group awards.



Ch Nagpuni Midnight Mischief

S: Ch Rosndae Captain Nemo

D: Ch Nagpuni Brooklyn Babe CCD RA

Owned by Terri and Grant Odell.

Midnight has had a wonderful run on her way to her Championship title winning a swag of Class in Group and Class in Show awards.

In 2013 she won the Rising Star Points Score on Dogz on Line, making her the most successful Griffon pup under 18 months in Australia.

In 2014 she is again leading the Rising Star Point score.

As well as her show success she has been a TV star on the Today show and she is beginning her obedience training to following her mothers pawprints.



Golden Oldies

Ch Raweke Basil Brush

Basil is the featured Golden Oldie as he turns 12 years of age this month.

He has had a difficult time this year as he was diagnosed with age related luxating lens in both eyes at the end of last year. Monthly visits and regular drops controlled it for a while but in the end he lost the sight in both eyes and then developed complications which led to him needing to have both eyes removed.

The photo was taken before his eyes were removed. Now he looks as if he has his eyes shut all the time

Since his two lots of surgery he has adjusted to his blindness amazingly well. As an old man he spends a lot of his time sleeping but he will even sometimes have a little game with the other Griffons as befits his dignity. He potters about in the yard with the others and he seems to get around by smell, hearing and feel. He will even discipline the youngsters if he thinks they need it. He still enjoys his cuddles and has not lost his appetite- at all.

I have had to adjust the way I give commands and where I stand when I give them but he has learnt the word "stop" if I think he is going to bump into something and he comes when I call him. It is also important to keep things fairly much in the same place although I have noticed that he can get around things even if they have been moved. At first he was hesitant but now it is about 6 weeks since his last operation and he has gained a lot of confidence and he is a happy old boy.



Membership Renewal.

It is that time of the year again when we once again remind you about membership renewals. All renewals must be paid by the end of the financial year - 30th of June.

At the back of the newsletter you will find a copy of the membership form. This form must be signed and sent to **The Secretary J Tremenheere 10 Allendale St Pelaw Main** or you can sign and scan it and email it to Jannelle at tremenbear@yahoo.com.au



You may send you membership fee as a cheque to Jannelle's address with the membership form. Please make all cheques out to The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW

OR you may do a direct bank transfer to

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A painting called 'Scholars' by Scholars by Mme Sophie von Pir (1858-1936) with 2 Griffons – possibly renewing their membership!



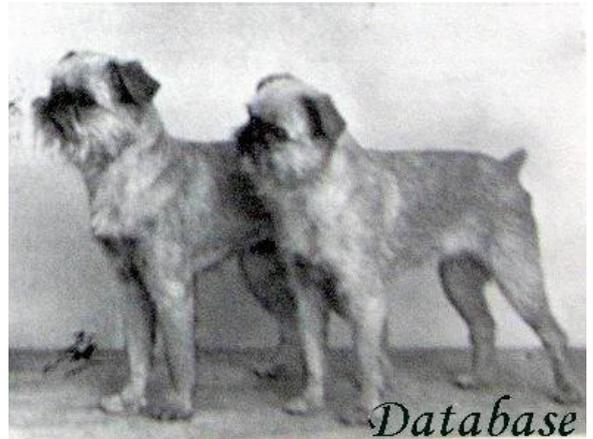
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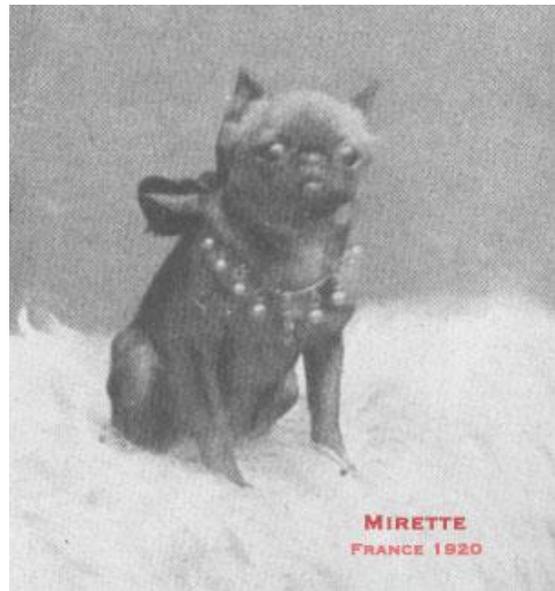
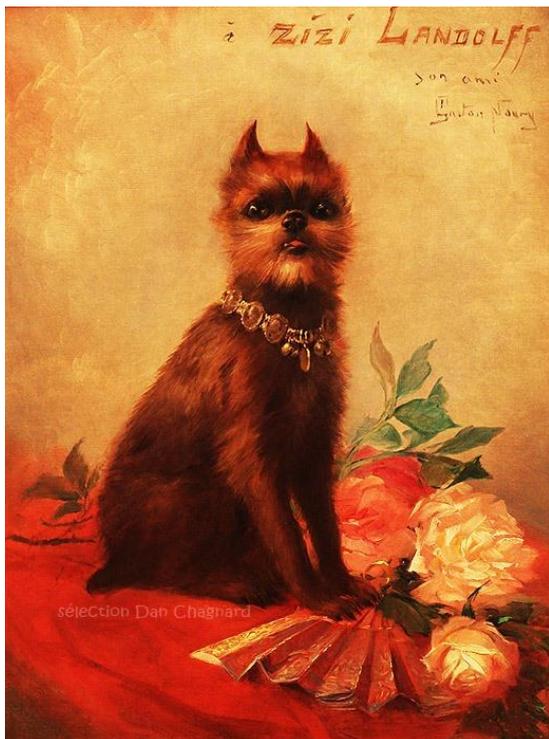
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Young Girl with Griffons. Photo taken in London circa 1930



Bowerhinton Boedecia and Bowerhinton Bess circa 1920



GASTON NOURY a French painter (1866-1936). This painting was done around 1890 and was painted as a gift of friendship to Zizi Langloff, costume designer and renowned artist from the Moulin Rouge.



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I wish to join / renew membership of The Country Griffon Bruxellois Club of NSW Inc

DATE of APPLICATION _____

Name/s: _____

Address: _____

Phone	Mobile:
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Email Address: _____

I am a member of Dogs NSW - Yes / No (circle one)	Dogs NSW Number (if applicable):
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I am a - Breeder / Exhibitor / Obedience, Rally, DWD or Agility Competitor / Pet Owner of a Griffon Bruxellois .
(Circle the one/s which apply to you)

Name of breeder who bred your Griffons: _____

Breeder Prefix:	Number of Griffons Owned
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Names of Griffons: _____

I wish to join this association because: *(only new members)*

Membership Fee: \$5.00 **per person**. I enclose my / our fee offor annual membership *(Several names may be on the form but adjust the fee accordingly)*

I agree to abide by the Rules, Regulations Codes of Ethics and Conduct of this club
Signed: _____